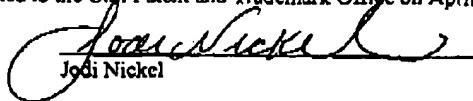


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Responsive to the Office Action mailed January 12, 2004. Applicants timely submit the following amendment and remarks.

Amendments to the claims are found on pages 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.